

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 104996

44

ORIGIN EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 SS-15 SSO-00 CCO-00 ISO-00 SP-02 NSC-05 NSCE-00

/035 R

DRAFTED BY EUR/SOV:BZOOK/EUR/CE:JKORNBLUM:MB

APPROVED BY P - MR. SISCO

EUR - MR. ARMITAGE/MR. VINE

S/S - MR. MOFFAT

----- 009718

O R 011719Z MAY 76 ZFF4

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO USDEL SECRETARY IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY BONN

INFO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY PARIS

USMISSION NATO

USMISSION USBERLIN

AMEMBASSY BERLIN

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 104996 TOSEC 110508

FOR SECRETARY FROM SISCO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UR, US, GW, WB, UK, FR

SUBJECT: SOVIET DEMARCHE OVER CDU PARLIAMENTARY FACTION
FROM SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN MEETING IN BERLIN

REF: BONN 5605

1. SOVIET CHARGE VORONTSOV ON APRIL 30 CALLED ON ME
AND DELIVERED TWO NON-PAPERS "FOR YOU FROM GROMYKO" ON
WEST BERLIN AND LAW OF THE SEA ISSUES (SEPTTEL). DEPUTY
ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMITAGE WAS PRESENT. VORONTSOV
NOTED THE SAME DEMARCHE ON WEST BERLIN HAD BEEN PRESENTED
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 104996

TO THE BRITISH AND FRENCH.

2. VORONTSOV READ FROM THE INFORMAL PAPER ON WEST BERLIN (TEXT BELOW). HE REFERRED TO INFORMATION THAT THE CDU PARLIAMENTARY FACTION OF THE WEST GERMAN LAND OF SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN HAD DECIDED TO HOLD ITS SESSION IN MAY 1976 IN THE BUILDING OF THE FORMER REICHSTAG IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN AND THAT OTHER FRG LANDS HAD SIMILAR PLANS. HE STATED THAT SUCH PLANS WERE INTENDED TO DEVISE A NEW KIND OF FRG STATE PRESENCE IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN, THAT THIS WAS INCONSISTENT WITH THE QA AND WOULD INEVITABLY LEAD TO AGGRAVATING THE SITUATION

AROUND THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN, THAT THE QA SIGNATORIES HAD IT IN THEIR POWER TO FORESTALL SUCH UNWELCOME DEVELOPMENTS AND SOLICITED THE OPINION OF THE U.S. ON THE SOVIET DEMARCHE. AFTER READING THE PAPER, VORONTSOV SAID HE WANTED TO EMPHASIZE ITS CONCLUDING PORTION ABOUT "CONSULTATIONS."

3. I REPLIED THAT WE WOULD STUDY THE STATEMENT CAREFULLY BUT THAT WE HAVE NO PROPOSAL IN THIS MATTER FROM THE FRG BEFORE US PRESENTLY. I REITERATED THE U.S. VIEW AND POLICY THAT WE HAVE DONE EVERYTHING POSSIBLE IN THE PAST TO ASSURE FRG ACTIONS ARE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE QA. WE WOULD STUDY THE SOVIET STATEMENT IN THIS VEIN. RE THE DATE OF THE PROPOSED CDU MEETING IN WEST BERLIN, VORONTSOV SAID THE ONLY INFORMATION THEY HAD WAS "SOMETIME IN MAY" AND PERHAPS A DATE HAD NOT YET BEEN DECIDED.

FULL TEXT OF SOVIET NON-PAPER FOLLOWS.

4. FULL TEXT OF SOVIET NON-PAPER FOLLOWS:

QUOTE ACCORDING TO AVAILABLE INFORMATION, THE CDU PARLIAMENTARY FACTION OF THE WEST GERMAN LAND OF SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN HAS DECIDED TO HOLD ITS SESSION IN MAY 1976 IN THE BUILDING OF THE FORMER REICHSTAG IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN. THE CDU FACTION IN HAMBURG HAS SUBMITTED AN OFFICIAL PROPOSAL TO HOLD IN THE BUILDING OF THE FORMER REICHSTAG AN OUTSIDE SESSION OF

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STATE 104996

THE WHOLE LANDTAG OF THIS FEDERAL LAND. JUDGING BY

INFORMATION COMING IN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CDU/CSU ALSO INTEND TO INTRODUCE SIMILAR PROPOSALS IN THE LANDTAGS OF OTHER FEDERAL LANDS.

IT IS EASY TO SEE THAT ALL THESE PLANS ARE AIMED AT USING THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN AS A PLACE TO

ORGANIZE A SERIES OF POLITICAL DEMONSTRATIONS, CALLED TO CREATE AN IMPRESSION THAT THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN ORGANICALLY ENTER INTO THE STATE AND LAW SYSTEM OF THE FRG. AS A MATTER OF FACT AN ATTEMPT IS MADE TO DEVISE A NEW KIND OF THE STATE PRESENCE OF THE FRG IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN, WHICH IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE APPROPRIATE PROVISIONS OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN ARE NOT A PART OF THE FRG AND ARE NOT GOVERNED BY IT. THERE CAN BE NO OTHER MEANING FOR HOLDING THE SESSIONS OF THE LANDTAGS OF FEDERAL LANDS OR OF INDIVIDUAL FACTIONS OF THE LANDTAGS IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN. IN ESSENCE THE INITIATORS OF THIS VENTURE DO NOT TRY THEMSELVES TO CONCEAL THEIR REAL INTENTIONS.

THE SAID ACTIONS OF THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN IF THEY ARE PERMITTED WOULD INEVITABLY LEAD TO AGGRAVATING THE SITUATION AROUND THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN, WHICH AS WE ARE CONVINCED WOULD NOT CORRESPOND TO BROAD INTERESTS OF THE POWERS-PARTIES TO THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT, TO THE INTEREST OF MAINTAINING TRANQUILITY IN THE CENTER OF EUROPE.

WE EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT THESE CONSIDERATIONS OF OURS WILL BE STUDIED WITH ALL ATTENTION. WE WOULD NOT LIKE SUCH MATTERS, ARTIFICALLY INTRODUCED INTO THE POLITICAL LIFE BY CERTAIN FORCES IN THE FRG, POSSIBLY FOR PURELY MONETARY REASONS, CREATE UNNECESSARY FRICTIONS BETWEEN US. THE POWERS-PARTIES TO THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT HAVE ALL THE POSSIBILITIES TO PREVENT IN ADVANCE SUCH AN UNWELCOME DEVELOPMENT OF

EVENTS, AND THESE POSSIBILITIES SHOULD BE REALIZED.
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 04 STATE 104996

WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE OPINION OF THE U.S. SIDE IN CONNECTION WITH THE QUESTIONS RAISED IN OUR CONFIDENTIAL APPROACH SO THAT WE COULD DETERMINE OUR FURTHER ACTIONS. UNQUOTE. SISCO

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: TOSEC, POLICIES, DEMARCHE, DOCUMENTS, TEXT
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 01 MAY 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: vogelfj
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976STATE104996
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: BZOOK/EUR/CE:JKORNBLUM:MB
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760167-0514
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t197605103/aaaadjuy.tel
Line Count: 159
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 76 BONN 5605
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: vogelfj
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 22 APR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <22 APR 2004 by SmithRJ>; APPROVED <10 AUG 2004 by vogelfj>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: SOVIET DEMARCHE OVER CDU PARLIAMENTARY FACTION FROM SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN MEETING IN BERLIN
TAGS: PFOR, PLOS, UR, US, GE, WB, UK, FR, (VORONTSOV, YULY M)
To: SECRETARY BONN
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006